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1	For:	METHOD TO IMPROVE THE OPACITY OF MECHANICAL PULP BY USING ALIPHATIC PEROXY ACIDS AND USE OF PEROXY ACIDS TO IMPROVE OPACITY	) ) ) )	

## INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

Assistant Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

In accordance with the duty of disclosure as set forth in 37 C.F.R. § 1.56, Applicant hereby submits the following information in conformance with 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.97 and 1.98. Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.98, a copy of each of the documents cited is enclosed.

The following reference was cited on pages 3-4 in the specification of the above-identified application:

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Tappi publication, Vol. 48, No. 2 (2/1965), W.H. Rapson et al. Paper Bleaching – A New Process, pp. 65-72;

Kemia, No. 3 (1995), Jyri Maunuksela, Mikrobien torjunta peretikkahapolla (Microbe Prevention with Peracetic Acid), pp. 242-244; and

Pulp and Paper Magazine of Canada, Convention Issue, 1972, pp. 123-131, and by number 3/1968 of the same magazine in pages 51-60

Also enclosed is a copy of the International Search Report issued in connection with the above-identified application. The following references were cited:

U.S. Patent 5,693,185;

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WO 97/22749; and GB 1,119,546.

Also enclosed is a reference cited in the International Preliminary Examination Report: Dence,. C.W., et al., "Pulp Bleaching - Principles and Practice", 1st edn, Tappi Press, 1996, p. 477.

The documents are being submitted within 3 months of the filing or entry of the national stage of this application or before the first Office Action on the merits, whichever is later, therefore no fee or statement is required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.97(b).

To assist the Examiner, the documents are listed on the attached form PTO-1449. It is respectfully requested that an Examiner initialed copy of this form be returned to the undersigned.

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